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SUBJECT:HAITI COTTON PERFORMANCE

REF: AMBASSADOR ISHAM/SMITH TELCON MARCH 4

1. IN CURRENT COTTON BILATERAL AGREEMENT YEAR, AS OF
FEBRUARY 10, HAITI HAS EXPORTED 2.4 MILLION SYE OF 5.2
MILLION SYE LEVEL, OR 46 PERCENT OF COTTON AGGREGATE. 1.345
MILLION SYE OF EXPORTS REPRESENTS ACTUAL SHIPMENTS THIS
AGREEMENT YEAR, AND BALANCE OF 1,055,000 SYE REPRESENTS
OVERSHIPMENTS UNDER LAST YEAR'S AGREEMENT LEVELS WHICH,
EMBASSY WILL RECALL, GOH AGREED TO QUOTE PAY BACK UNQUOTE
UNDER THIS AGREEMENT YEAR'S LEVELS.

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2. IN CURRENT COTTON AGREEMENT YEAR, GOH HAS FILLED 94 PERCENT OF CATEGORY 45 LEVEL, 43 PERCENT OF CATEGORY 46, AND 44 PERCENT OF CATEGORY 47. CONSEQUENTLY, USG IS PUTTING THOSE THREE CATEGORIES UNDER IMPORT CONTROL. IN THIS REGARD, IT IS NOW FAIRLY CERTAIN THAT GOH WILL EXCEED ITS CATEGORY 45 LEVEL IN NEAR FUTURE, AND EMBASSY SHOULD DRAW THIS TO GOH'S ATTENTION, AS IMPORTS IN EXCESS OF CATEGORY LEVEL WOULD BE AUTOMATICALLY EMBARGOED.

3. THE FOUR CATEGORIES OF ARTICLE 3 ACTION REPRESENT 32.6 PERCENT OF GOH'S CURRENT MAN-MADE FIBER TEXTILE EXPORTS TO US. INGERSOLL

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